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NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

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For: Novel Hydrotalcites, Syntheses and Uses (II)

1. Type of Application

- Original
- Continuation
- Continuation-in-Part
- Divisional

2. Benefit of Prior U.S. Application(s) (35 U.S.C. 120)

This application claims the benefit of copending U.S. application serial number 09/935,952 filed on August 23, 2001.

3. Papers Required for Filing Date Under 37 CFR 1.53(b)

33 Pages of Specification
9 Pages of Claims
1 Page of Abstract
12 Sheets of Drawings

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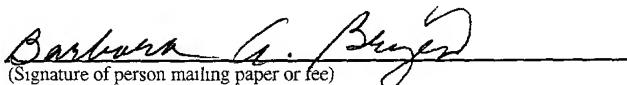
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- Preliminary Amendment
- Recordal of Assignment Form Cover Sheet (Form PTO-1595)
- Assignment

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- Verified statement(s) to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 37 CFR 1.27.
- A certified copy of a _____ application, No. _____, filed _____. Applicant hereby claims priority from this application under 35 U.S.C. 119.
- An Information Disclosure Statement and a PTO Form 1449.
- Other: _____.

Inventorship Statement

- The inventorship for all the claims in this application is the same.
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 - is submitted.
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